

RECEIVER MAY PAY 35 CENTS ON DOLLAR
Receiver Seeks \$800,000 From Thirteen New York Brokerage Firms

REOPEN STONEHAM DEAL
 A dividend of from thirty to thirty-five cents on the dollar may now be expected by creditors of the defunct brokerage firm of E. D. Dier & Co., according to the receiver.

Furthermore, an additional \$500,000 for creditors will be demanded this week of thirteen New York brokerage houses. It is declared these firms accepted commissions from the Dier firm knowing it to be a bucket shop, and without performing any real service for these commissions. Saul S. Myers, of New York, counsel for the receiver, said today one firm alone got \$300,000 of this money.

Suit to recover commissions in such cases is said to be something new. The discovery of the extent to which the Dier assets were swept away in such a manner has only recently come to the attention of an intensive study of the Dier accounts, according to Mr. Myers. More than \$3,000,000 belonging to customers was mysteriously dissipated and many brokerage houses of repute, it says, are among the beneficiaries. At the last meeting of creditors it was announced that from the wreckage of the Dier concern it seemed possible to collect about \$800,000. The charge of recovering damages from several wealthy firms which had transactions with the Dier company, knowing it to be a bucket shop, made it likely that several hundred thousand dollars additional will be recovered, Mr. Myers said, so that he has assets of \$1,250,000 or more may be found to offset liabilities of more than \$3,000,000. About twenty-five cents on the dollar was in sight for creditors at the last announcement. This new development, according to Mr. Myers, makes possible a dividend of thirty to thirty-five cents on the dollar.

In a statement made yesterday on behalf of the protective committee of creditors of the bankrupt stock brokerage firm of E. D. Dier & Co., Daniel W. Blumenthal, attorney of 233 Broadway, attacking the action of the receiver for Dier & Co., in agreeing to accept \$200,000 in settlement of all possible claims against Charles A. Stoneham, part owner of the Giant Knickerbocker, and his associates, in view of recovering for the creditors the money due them.

"It is absolutely imperative that a complete investigation be made by our committee and its counsel," Mr. Blumenthal said, "respecting the following important elements in this knickerbocker affair which will be in view of recovering for the creditors the money due them:

"First. The real cause which brought about the liquidation of Colonel Harry D. Hughes from the Philadelphia Exchange at the time he was a member of the firm of Hughes & Dier, and what relation, if any, he had to the liquidation of Dier & Co. into bankruptcy.

"Second. The pecuniary interests, if any, of 'Doc' Dier and his associates and Charles A. Stoneham and his associates in the little business transaction involving \$5,200,000 whereby Charles A. Stoneham & Co. transferred its customers' accounts to Hughes & Dier.

"Third. The pecuniary interest, if any, that Charles A. Stoneham and his associates and 'Doc' Dier and his associates had in the purchase on the part of Charles A. Stoneham from E. D. Dier & Co. of some \$2,400,000 worth of customers' securities.

"Fourth. Just what effect, if any, the transfer of Charles A. Stoneham & Co.'s accounts with or without the consent of Stoneham's customers to E. H. Clarke & Co., who are now in bankruptcy with liabilities exceeding \$400,000, will have as to my contention right along the Stoneham should be held responsible to the customers of Dier & Co."

Mr. Blumenthal further stated: "Our committee has been called upon to perform a big job and we are going to do it. Eight thousand men and women, figuring in every station of life; widows, orphans and heroes of the Civil as well as of the World War, find that they have been driven to destitute financial circumstances by reason of the wrecking of E. D. Dier & Co."

Regarding the assertion that Mr. Stoneham had transferred his accounts to Hughes & Dier upon the consent of his customers, Mr. Blumenthal said: "I represent many clients who vigorously deny that they ever consented either in writing or otherwise to permit Mr. Stoneham to transfer their accounts. I represent many others who, if they did consent, did so only in reliance upon the Stoneham statements and declarations that after a thorough investigation it was found that the firm of Hughes & Dier was absolutely reliable and financially safe."

TO REWARD BRAVE ACTS

S. P. C. A. to Honor Six Men Who Saved Animals' Lives
 Silver cups will be presented on May 10 to the auxiliary of the Pennsylvania S. P. C. A. to six men who distinguished themselves during the last year in saving the life of some animal. The men to be honored, two policemen, two firemen, a Park guard and a civilian, were selected from a large number of persons whose names were recorded by the society for some conspicuous act of bravery. Those who will receive the cups are Fire Captain L. Panoussis and members of truck company No. 14; Patrolman William W. Williams, Negro, of the Nineteenth and Oxford streets station; Street Sergeant Ernest J. Rutledge, of the Twenty-fourth and Wolf streets station; Fire Lieutenant Edward Stuart Moore, of truck No. 13; Park Guard William Caldwell and Frank Kauber, of 2551 North Woodstock street. Honorable mention will be given to the men on fire trucks Nos. 7, 9, 11 and 13 for assistance rendered in emergency cases.

Ridley Park Women's Club Meets
 The annual luncheon and installation of officers for the Women's Club at Ridley Park, takes place this afternoon. There will be speakers prominent in women's work in the State. The musical program will be rendered by Miss T. E. McKinney, Miss Florence Haebele, Miss Josephine Inisky and Miss Isabel Ferris. The Junior Club will present a play entitled "Too Much Bobby." Among the speakers will be Miss Florence Dilbert, president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. S. Blair Luckie, vice president of the State Federation; and Mrs. A. A. Crooks, president of the Delaware County Federation.

TWILIGHT LEAGUE TROPHIES
 To encourage independent baseball among Philadelphia's various teams of the Twilight League, the Philadelphia Baseball Association, the Philadelphia League offers a number of trophies. One of the trophies is the Twilight League trophy, which is presented to the team which wins the championship of the league. The trophies are presented to the team which wins the championship of the league.

WOMAN, 60, IS FOUND DEAD
 Room Filled With Gas—Accident, the Police Believe
 What is believed to be a case of accidental asphyxiation by gas was reported to the police yesterday by Mrs. Anna Conroy, who has a lodging house at 1629 Filbert street.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Barr, sixty years old, was found dead in her room at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The room was filled with gas, and it is thought that the wind had extinguished the flame from a gas jet Mrs. Barr had left burning upon going to bed.

JEWIS TO PLAN CAMPAIGN
 Meeting Tonight to Consider Helping Palestine Fund Drive
 Preparations for launching the local drive of the national campaign now being conducted by the Jews of the country to obtain funds for the rebuilding of Palestine, will be made tonight at a meeting of the Palestine Foundation Fund Committee in the Conference Room of the Victory Building, 24 South Tenth street. The meeting has been called by Judge William M. Lewis, regional chairman, and B. F. Miller, chairman of the Philadelphia section, to select a campaign committee and outline a plan for the enrollment of Philadelphia Jewry in the fund.
 The committee meeting will be followed by a conference of representative women of Philadelphia and nearby cities tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Bellevue-Stratford, for the purpose of forming a woman's division for the fund. Judge Lewis and Louis Brenner will address the meeting.

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Strawbridge & Clothier—Second Floor, East

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Here are some springtime specials that will help thrifty women in their spring housecleaning and year-around housekeeping:

100 Bars of Classic Laundry Soap—\$4.85
 A WHITE soap, lathers freely in all waters and will not hurt the hands.

Six Packages of Wool Soap Flakes—40c
 Made of pure wool soap—excellent for laundry and kitchen purpose. One-third under price.

Folding Ironing Boards—now \$1.85
 On a stand. Strong and well made. Less than regular price—\$1.85.

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Mail Boxes—\$1.25
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 Sizes 9x9 and 9x10.6—now \$24.75
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 Size 7.6x10.6 feet, under price—\$21.75

Strawbridge & Clothier—Floor 4's, Filbert Street

Hard to Equal These Boys' Two-Trousers Suits at \$13.75

Yes, you can get lots of Boys' Suits with extra knickerbockers at a lower price than \$13.75. But we don't believe you can find anywhere a better Suit for \$13.75 than these.

Exceptionally well tailored of all-wool materials, in the new smart styles and shades with mohair-lined coat and full-lined knickerbockers. Sizes 7 to 18 years—\$13.75. New Khaki Sports Suits, in sizes 5 to 14 years at a very special price—\$2.95.

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For Summer Cooking a Florence Oil Stove

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With a trim-looking and practical Florence Oil Cook Stove you get all the heat you want—for cooking—and they are easy to care for. The heat they give is even, steady and concentrated. Fine for baking delicious pies, cakes and bread or cooking steaks, roasts, etc.

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You will find here one of these famous Mead Ranger Bicycles in a model to your liking, for we are factory representatives and sell all models at exactly the same factory-to-rider prices you have noticed in magazine advertising. Premium sets included.

Ranger models for boys and men—\$46.00 to \$55
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 Girls' or Women's models—\$49.75
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Strawbridge & Clothier—First Floor, Balcony, Filbert Street

This Reed Fibre Suit is \$128

The illustration can give but a faint idea of the charm of this 3-Piece Reed Fibre Suit, enameled in a choice of several colors, with seats and backs upholstered in attractive cretonne. Loose spring cushion seats over springs, on all three pieces. The large settee, the rocker, the chair for—\$128.00.

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 Consists of large and roomy settee, chair and rocker, all with luscious cushion seats and backs upholstered in tasteful cretonne. Prettily enameled—\$85.00.

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 A really beautiful 4-piece Suit consisting of settee, chair, rocker and oblong table. Seats and backs upholstered in smart cretonnes, and the Suit enameled in matis and green. Price \$205.00.

Enameled Willow Suit—\$81.00
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Enameled Wood-and-Cane Suit—\$280
 Particularly lovely Suit of 6 pieces, suitable for the sun parlor or summer living room. Enameled in cheery tones and the pieces have cretonne upholstered backs and loose spring cushion seats. Suit consists of full-size settee, low-back chair, high-back wing-chair, stool, oval table and davenport-end table—\$280.00.

Natural Willow Pieces Finished in Colors to Suit
 You may choose from a great variety of natural Willow pieces, the ones you like, and we will upholster them in cretonnes of your own choosing, and finish them in colored enamel to harmonize with the cretonnes, or any decorative scheme.

Strawbridge & Clothier—Third Floor, East